

Tasking Memorandum No. 99-60

Memorandum for DCMC Contract Administration Offices (CAOs)

Subject: Year 2000 Compliance for Government Property

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Target Audience: CAO Commanders, Property Administrators

Requirements:

The Department of Defense is committed to doing everything possible to assure that the defense of the nation is not negatively affected by the year 2000 (Y2K) impact on business processes that depend on computers. The purpose of this memorandum is to address the issue of ensuring that Government property in the possession of defense contractors is Y2K compliant.

The impact of Y2K does not relieve contractors from meeting existing contractual obligations. This includes maintaining property in the manner necessary to support contract performance. We would expect contractors to check to see that Government-owned property potentially affected by the Y2K problem is Y2K compliant as part of their Government property maintenance program required by the applicable Federal Acquisition Regulation Government property clause contained in the contract. Our conversations with some of the larger defense contractors have indicated that they have implemented a Y2K compliance program that includes Government property without prompting from the Government.

However, in some cases contractors may be waiting for the Defense Contract Management Command to direct them to take a particular action with regard to Y2K compliance relative to Government property. Contractors should be made aware that, while we are of the opinion that they are expected to check to see that Government property in their possession is Y2K compliant, any specific direction regarding Y2K compliance for Government property should come from the cognizant program office/contracting activity.

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